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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE 5B03

In re Application of:)
Shinichi ITO et al.) Group Art Unit: 2823
Application No.: 09/842,403) Examiner: M. Estrada
Filed: April 26, 2001)
For: FILM FORMATION METHOD,)
SEMICONDUCTOR ELEMENT)
AND METHOD THEREOF, AND)
METHOD OF MANUFACTURING)
A DISK-SHAPED STORAGE)
MEDIUM)

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Applicants hereby petition for a two month extension of time to reply to the Office Action of December 4, 2002. A fee of \$410.00 is enclosed.

Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this response and charge any additional required fees to our deposit account 06-0916.

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